Recreation Advisory Board

March 10, 2014

Board Members

Wayne Wheeler Barry Mundt

Bob Pierce Jordan Veale

Mildred Nance-Carson Todd Dunnuck

Hutch Kerns Josh O'Connor

Council

Chris Pelly

Staff

Roderick Simmons, Director

Debbie Ivester, Assistant Director

Mark Halstead, Program Supervisor

Judith Scott, Administrative Assistant

Al Kopf, Superintendent of Planning and Development

Wayne called the meeting to order at 12:33 PM.

1. Approval of February Minutes

Wayne called for a motion to approve the February minutes. Mildred motioned to approve. Todd seconded and the motion passed with all in favor.

Approval of the RAB Retreat Minutes

Wayne called for a motion to approve the RAB retreat minutes. Mildred motioned to approve. Hutch seconded and the motion passed with all in favor.

2. Director's Report

Grand opening of the renovated gymnasium at the Montford Recreation Center is scheduled for March 13th at 4PM. It occurs at the same time as the Asheville Area Riverfront Redevelopment Commission meeting. Wayne will attend the grand opening and Hutch to attend the Asheville Area Riverfront Redevelopment Commission in Wayne's place.

Staff is working on the budget issues.

Staff continues to work on replacing the gym floors at Shiloh and Stephens Lee Recreation Center. With the renovations at the Civic Center, the intent is to get the floor at Shiloh finished this budget year.

3. Reports: Asheville Area Riverfront Redevelopment Commission

No report

4. Other Business

Josh referenced the partnership presentations that come before RAB and that the length of the presentations is too long. Josh stated presentations should not be discounted but can we limit on the agenda. Maybe the board can get written information before hand.

Debbie stated the purpose of the presentations is for RAB to meet the parks and recreation partners face to face and with the city's key initiatives on internal projects. It is not intended for RAB to take action but to ask questions and create a dialogue. More discussion will occur as part of the retreat information regarding community outreach engagement.

Josh suggested we brainstorm a different format because it's time consuming for board members that work. Mildred suggested designing presentations once a quarter during a RAB meeting. Josh will make recommendation for best way for time and still be effective.

Todd asked if RAB or the city have a liaison on the Buncombe County Recreation and Cultural Authority. Debbie said it is one of the items stated in RAB's proposed goals but it has not been established yet.

5. Adjournment

Debbie explained upon adjourning the RAB meeting, board members will go to the 6th floor in City Hall for a work sessions on the RAB retreat goals. If this work needs more time than today, RAB members will convene for another work session after its April meeting.

Bob motioned to adjourn. Barry seconded and the motion passed with all in favor.

Adjourned at 12:41 PM.